



## Welcome to the wild burro adoption!



This weekend's adoption is a first-come, first-served adoption. All adopters must have a completed and approved adoption application prior to selecting their burro. All wild burros available for adoption will be freeze branded, received initial vaccinations, dewormed, and Coggins tested. The wild burros will be available for pick-up or local delivery. The jennies and foals can be adopted as a pair or separately.

**Why are these burros available for adoption?** Recently there have been increasing issues with wild burros from the Johnnie Herd Management Area (HMA) within the community of Pahrump causing property damage and becoming nuisances. The burros are also entering the State Route 160 roadway and have become a public safety concern. Since October of 2010, at least five burros in the Johnnie HMA were killed or had to be euthanized due to vehicle collisions. There have been no reported human injuries or fatalities related to these accidents at this time. Burros are increasingly becoming a nuisance as tourists and locals are feeding and watering them. Six different individuals have contacted BLM directly regarding the wild burro issues in the Pahrump Valley in the last month. About 30-40 burros have become habituated to people, vehicles, and the community, and they are no longer foraging and moving through the Johnnie HMA like they would with their normal wild characteristics. BLM has tried to stem the problem through education by working with the local animal control officers to educate people on not feeding or watering the wild horses and burros, conducting interviews with local newspaper reporters regarding the wild horse and burro program, and staffing community outreach events such as Earth Day, National Public Lands Day, Fall Festival, etc. Unfortunately, these efforts have not been successful in changing behavior.

The Johnnie Herd Management Area encompasses approximately 213,000 acres of BLM managed public lands in the Southern Nevada District. The Johnnie HMA is located east and north of the town of Pahrump, within the Pahrump Field Office. The Johnnie Herd Management Area has an appropriate management level (AML) of 0 wild horses and 54-108 wild burros. Currently there are approximately 95-125 wild horses and 166-248 wild burros residing in the Johnnie Herd Management Area.

**Why Adopt a Burro?** With kindness and patience, a wild burro can be trained for many uses.

- Due to their gentle nature, wild burros can be used as companion animals,
- Are social, yet very protective animals. As a result, they are very effective in predator deterrence and are often used as guard animals,
- Are known for their sure-footedness, strength and endurance and are used as sturdy pack animals for backpackers and hunters. People also use wild burros as riding animals, to pull carts or small wagons, and
- Are hardy, long lived and "easy keepers", needing less to eat than horses.

The greatest advantage to adopting a wild burro is that they make excellent family pets!

***What type of facilities will I need?"***

You must provide a minimum of 400 square feet (20 feet x 20 feet) for each animal adopted. Until fence broken; burros need to be in an enclosure at least 4.5 feet high. You should not release an ungentled animal into a large open area, such as a pasture or arena, since you may not be able to recapture the animal for training or to provide veterinary care. However, once the animal is gentled, you may release it into a pasture or similar area.

The acceptable corral must be sturdy and constructed out of poles, pipes, or planks (minimum 1.5 inch thickness) without dangerous protrusions. Barbed wire, large-mesh woven, stranded and electric materials are unacceptable for corral fencing.

You must provide shelter from inclement weather and temperature extremes for your adopted wild horse or burro. Shelters must be well-drained, adequately ventilated, and accessible to the animal(s). Tarps are not acceptable.

***How much does it cost to care for a wild burro?***

The cost of caring for a wild burro is comparable to caring for a domestic horse or burro. Depending on local costs and conditions, this can exceed \$1,000 per year. You are responsible for all costs associated with the care of your animal, you should also consider the following costs when calculating your wild burro budget:

- Boarding Costs
- Hoof Care/Farrier Service
- Veterinarian Care/Vaccinations
- Worming
- Feed/Supplements/Salt
- Grooming Supplies
- Tack

Note: If your adopted wild burro escapes from your property, you are responsible for all costs associated with recovery of the animal.

***What is a freezemark?***

The BLM uses freezemarking to identify captured wild horses and burros, which is a permanent, unalterable, painless way to identify each horse or burro. The freezemark is applied on the left side of the animal's neck and uses the International Alpha Angle System, which is a series of angles and alpha symbols. The mark contains the registering organization (U.S. Government), year of birth, and registration number.

## **Big Jack**



BLM# 03621266  
12 Years Old  
Grey Gelded Male Burro

**Sale/Adoption Fee Negotiable**  
**Brand Inspection-\$10.00 for transfer or \$50.00 for lifetime**

**Bob**



BLM# 04621267  
11 Years Old  
Grey Gelded Male Burro

**Sale/Adoption Fee Negotiable**  
**Brand Inspection-\$10.00 for transfer or \$50.00 for lifetime**



## **Tara (Paired with Jazel)**



## **Jazel**



### **Tara**

BLM# 04621265

11 Years Old

Grey Jenny Burro (Potentially Pregnant)

Sale/Adoption Fee Negotiable

### **Jazel**

BLM# 14621264

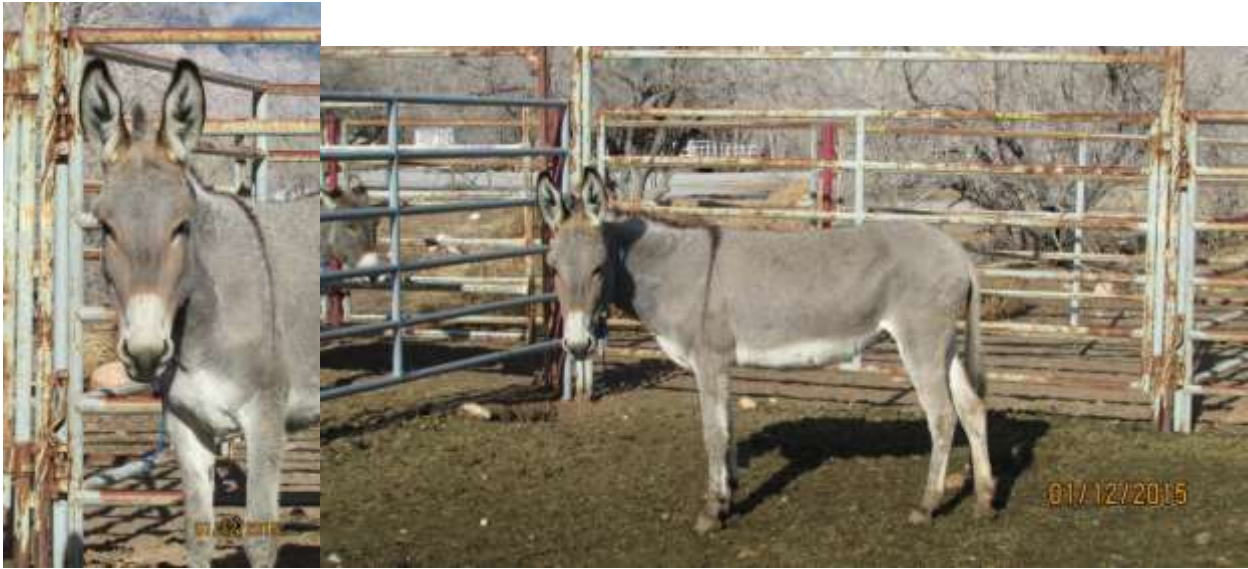
4 Months Old

Grey Jenny Burro

**Adoption Fee-\$125.00 apiece or \$200.00 for the pair**

**Brand Inspection-\$10.00 for transfer or \$50.00 for lifetime per animal**

## **Belle (Paired with Colby)**



## **Colby**



### **Belle**

BLM# 11621275

4 Years Old

Gray Jenny Burro (Potentially Pregnant)

### **Colby**

BLM# 14621274

3 Months Old

Gray Jack Burro

**Adoption Fee-\$125.00 apiece or \$200.00 for the pair**  
**Brand Inspection-\$10.00 for transfer or \$50.00 for lifetime per animal**



**Audrey (Paired with Chewy)**



BLM# 11621270

4 Years Old

Gray Jenny Burro (Potentially Pregnant)

**Adoption Fee-\$125.00 apiece or \$200.00 for the pair**

**Brand Inspection-\$10.00 for transfer or \$50.00 for lifetime per animal**

**Chewy (Paired with Audrey)**



BLM# 14621268  
4 Months Old  
Gray Jenny Burro

**Adoption Fee-\$125.00 apiece or \$200.00 for the pair  
Brand Inspection-\$10.00 for transfer or \$50.00 for lifetime per animal**



## Kat



BLM# 13621269  
2 ½ Years Old  
Gray Jenny Burro (Potentially Pregnant)

**Adoption Fee-\$125.00**  
**Brand Inspection-\$10.00 for transfer or \$50.00 for lifetime**

**Misty-Special Needs Burro\* (Paired with Brownie)**



BLM# 12621271

3 Years Old

Gray Jenny Burro (Potentially Pregnant)

\*Special needs because she has a cataract in her right eye

**Adoption Fee-\$125.00 apiece or \$200.00 for the pair**

**Brand Inspection-\$10.00 for transfer or \$50.00 for lifetime per animal**



## **Brownie (Paired with Misty)**



BLM# 14621273  
3 Months Old  
Brown Jack Burro

**Adoption Fee-\$125.00 apiece or \$200.00 for the pair**  
**Brand Inspection-\$10.00 for transfer or \$50.00 for lifetime per animal**



**Sophie**



BLM# 14621272  
1 Year Old  
Brown Jenny Burro (Potentially Pregnant)

**Adoption Fee-\$125.00**  
**Brand Inspection-\$10.00 for transfer or \$50.00 for lifetime**